

State of California Allows for Additional Activities in the Red Tier for Breweries, Wineries, Distilleries, and Bars

On March 11, 2021, the State of California's Department of Public Health (CDPH) updated its public health guidance, allowing for additional operations in the Red Tier of the "Blueprint for a Safer Economy" for breweries, wineries, and distilleries that do not serve meals can open outdoors with modifications (see below). Bars that do not serve meals must remain closed under Red Tier guidelines. **The new guidelines go into effect on Saturday, March 13.**

Breweries, Wineries and Distilleries

Beginning March 13, breweries, wineries, and distilleries that **do not serve meals** may open outdoors only with the following modifications:



- Patrons must observe a 90-minute time limit at the site;
- Seating/tables only; and
- Limited hours (service for on-site consumption must end by 8:00 p.m.).

The updated guidance does not apply to breweries, wineries, and distilleries that provide meals; those establishments should continue to follow the restaurant guidance.

Bars

Bars that **do not serve meals** remain closed in the Red Tier. However, the update allows bars to begin outdoor operations with modifications once their county is in the orange tier.

Read the CDPH press release.

Read the updated matrix showing Activity and Business Tiers (PDF, updated 3/11/2021).

Federal American Rescue Plan Signed by President Biden

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the \$1.9 trillion "American Rescue Plan," an economic stimulus package to fund COVID-19 vaccinations, provide direct relief to struggling individuals, businesses and support State and Local governments. The package includes measures to bolster small businesses, including to:

- Create a "Restaurant Revitalization Fund" to be administered by the Small Business Administration (SBA);
- Increase funding, expand eligibility, and allow forgiveness for additional expenses for the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP);
- Increase funding for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program;
- Extend through December 31, 2021 an employee retention tax credit established by the CARES Act:
- Extend through September 30, 2021 tax credits for employer-provided paid sick and family leave, which were established under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act; and



Modify and extend several pandemic-related unemployment benefits.

The Office of Economic Development will continue to share information as it becomes available.

COVID-19 Vaccinations

Alameda County Public Health, Sutter Health and Stanford Health Care are currently providing drive-thru COVID-19 vaccinations at the Alameda County Fairgrounds for the following groups:

- Eligibility:
 - Health care workers
 - Individuals 65+
 - Education and childcare (including staff and any other workers involved in child and or/student care)
 - Emergency services
 - Agriculture and food

You are encouraged to sign-up to be notified when it is your turn. Alameda County residents can use these online forms:

- Get notified when it's your turn
- Recibe una notificación cuando sea tu turno
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Employers should use the **Employer Vaccine Notification Form**.

Kaiser Permanente is currently providing COVID-19 vaccine appointments for members and non-members that meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

- Health care workers
- Individuals 65+
- Education and childcare (including staff and any other workers involved in child and or/student care)
- Emergency services
- Agriculture and food

For more information, visit Kaiser Permanente's website.

Deadline Approaching Soon for Dublin Businesses to Apply for a Recovery Boost Grant

The City of Dublin's Recovery Boost Grant Program is still accepting applications. The application portal will close on March 31, 2021 or when funding has been exhausted, whichever comes first so eligible businesses are encouraged to submit their application as soon as possible.

The program provides a grant of up to \$10,000 to reimburse an eligible small business for expenses incurred related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant does not need to be repaid.

Eligible businesses include retail, restaurant, personal care services, fitness, medical offices, tutoring centers, indoor recreation centers and family entertainment centers.

Download the <u>application tutorial</u> (PDF). For more information about the program's eligibility requirements and how to apply, visit the program's webpage.



We Are Here for You

The City of Dublin appreciates our business community and remains committed to being your source for reliable and accessible information and resources.

For COVID-19 information and resources for the business community, visit our Business Impacts webpage.

For up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic, visit the City's COVID-19 webpage.

The Office of Economic Development is also available via <a href="mailto:email

The COVID-19 Dublin Business Brief highlights the latest news and events affecting the business community. For more information or assistance, please contact the Office of Economic Development via <a href="mailto:e

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